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# STATE SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

	OCTOBER 1940	SEPTEMBER 1940	PER CENT CHANGE (OCT. OVER SEPT.)	PER CENT CHANGE (OCT. 1940 OVER OCTOBER 1939)
<b>BENEFIT PAYMENTS:</b>				
NUMBER	71,544	85,323	-16.1	+21.7
AMOUNT	\$694,641.00	\$834,492.50	-16.8	+39.3
<b>CLAIMS RECEIVED:</b>				
INITIAL	4,649	4,791	-3.0	-2.7
COMPENSABLE	66,245	79,293	-16.5	+25.9
WAITING PERIOD	8,201	8,963	-8.5	-26.3
TOTAL	79,095	93,047	-15.0	+14.8
<b>AGENT STATE CLAIMS RECEIVED:</b>				
INITIAL	2,171	1,494	+45.3	+52.0
CONTINUED	11,033	7,735	+42.6	+84.2
TOTAL	13,204	9,229	+43.1	+78.0
<b>LIABLE STATE CLAIMS RECEIVED:</b>				
INITIAL	951	811	+17.3	-5.2
CONTINUED	4,877	6,781	-28.1	-22.7
TOTAL	5,828	7,592	-23.2	-20.3
<b>INITIAL DETERMINATIONS:</b>				
ELIGIBLE	3,125	2,947	+6.0	-20.1
INELIGIBLE	3,526	2,764	+27.6	+51.5
TOTAL	6,651	5,711	+16.5	+6.6

## EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

	OCTOBER	SEPTEMBER		
FIELD VISITS	984	733	+34.2	-33.3
NEW APPLICATIONS	18,578	10,420	+78.3	+79.3
RENEWALS	6,281	7,795	-19.4	N B
ACTIVE FILE	74,311	65,111	+14.1	+16.0
EMPLOYER ORDERS	3,068	2,442	+25.6	N B
PLACEMENTS	7,982	4,394	+81.7	+12.0
CLAIMANT PLACEMENTS	809	1,000	-19.1	-72.3
VETERAN PLACEMENTS	206	135	+52.6	+24.1
AGRICULTURAL PLACEMENTS**	34	13	-	N B

\* DOES NOT INCLUDE MULTI-STATE CLAIMS  
 \*\* INCLUDES BOTH SUPPLEMENTARY AND COMPLETE AGRICULTURAL PLACEMENTS  
 NB NO BREAKDOWN MADE DURING 1939

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## STATE OPERATIONS

A comparison - October 1940 to September 1940 and October 1939

October Payments Drop 16.8% from September

Pre-seasonal activity in citrus and tourist centers and large-scale operations on National Defense projects resulted in a decrease of \$139,851.50. from the September total. The total amount of payments during September was \$834,492.50 while the October total was only \$694,641.00. The October total exceeded the \$498,749.37 paid out during October 1939, by 39.3%.

Claims Received Drop 15%

In keeping with the 16.8% decrease in payments was the 15% decline in the number of Florida claims received during the month. Decreases were recorded for all types of Florida claims: initial, compensable and waiting period. The October total exceeded that of October 1939 by 14.8%.

Agent State Claims Jump 43%

An influx of workers from other states into Florida was indicated by the 13,204 claims filed through Florida offices of the Employment Service against the Unemployment Compensation systems of other States. The number of agent state claims filed during October comprised a 43.1% increase over the 9,229 such claims filed during September. The October 1940 total exceeded the October 1939 total by 78%.

Liabile State Claims Drop 23%

The number of claims filed through the offices of other State Employment Services on the basis of wages earned in Florida dropped from the September total of 7,592 to 5,828 in October. This numerical drop of 1,764 constituted a decrease of 23.2%. The October total was a decrease of 20.3% from that of October 1939.

Initial Determinations Increase 16.5%

The number of initial determinations made during October totaled 6,651 - 16.5% more than the 5,711 such determinations made during September. The number of determinations allowing eligibility decreased in proportion to the number finding ineligibility as the number of determinations of eligibility increased only 6% over the previous month while the number of determinations of ineligibility increased 27.6%. The October total exceeded that of October 1939 by 6.6%.

Number of Field Visits Increase 34.2%

The number of visits to prospective employers made by personnel of the Florida State Employment Service during October totaled 984 to top by 34.2% the 733 such visits made during September. Despite the increase over September, a decrease of 33.3% from the total for October 1939 was recorded.

### New Applications Rise Sharply

Probably due to the approaching citrus and tourist seasons as well as the several National Defense projects in this State there was a 78.3% rise in the number of new applications for employment filed during October. Many of these new applicants registered in the Jacksonville office of the Employment Service in order to obtain jobs at the Naval Air Base in Jacksonville or the National Guard Camp at Camp Blanding. The October total exceeded that of October 1939 by 79.3%.

### Renewals Decrease 19.4%

The drop in the number of renewals was probably largely due to the increase in the number of placements. Many persons who had called at the Employment Service office to renew their applications for employment were given referrals. The September total for renewals was 7,795 while the October total was only 6,281.

### Active File Increases More Than 9,000

The large number of new applications during October brought the active file at the end of that month to 74,311, an increase of 9,200 or 14.1% over the 65,111 applications in the active file at the end of September. The total active file at the end of October was 16% greater than at the end of October 1939.

### Employer Orders Increase 25.6%

The number of employer orders for workers to fill job openings increased from 2,442 in September to 3,068 in October - an increase of 25.6%, indicating a general tightening of the labor market throughout the State.

### Placements Reach New High

The number of persons placed in employment through the facilities of the Florida State Employment Service jumped from 4,394 in September to 7,982 in October to establish a new high for this activity since the Service began operations. Many of these placements were in job openings at Camp Blanding, the Naval Air Base in Jacksonville, McDill Field in Tampa, the Sub-Base at Tallahassee and the Naval Air Station in Pensacola. The number of placements made in October exceeded those made in September by 81.7%.

### Claimant Placements Decrease 19.1%

The number of placements of claimants for unemployment compensation fell from 1,000 to 809 to decrease 19.1%. The decrease in this activity from October 1939 was by 72.3%. An increase in this item is anticipated during November as a result of job openings in the service and citrus packing industries.

### Veteran Placements Rise 52.6%

Veteran placements rose from 135 to 206 - an increase of 52.6%. This total comprised an increase of 24.1% over the October 1939 figures.

TABLE OF INITIAL, WAITING PERIOD AND COMPENSABLE CLAIMS  
RECEIVED DURING OCTOBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	INITIAL CLAIMS		WAITING PERIOD AND COMPENSABLE CLAIMS		
	OCTOBER 1940	SEPTEMBER 1940	OCTOBER 1940	% CHANGE OCT. 1940 OVER SEPT. 1940	% CHANGE OCT. 1940 OVER OCT. 1939
STATE TOTAL	5,800	5,602	79,323	- 32.64	+ 4.29
ARCADIA	127	168	3,103	- 53.94	- 17.67
BRADENTON	118	153	2,720	- 37.60	+ 15.89
DAYTONA BEACH	90	116	866	- 57.47	- 39.31
FORT LAUDERDALE	91	118	927	- 26.37	+ 3.69
FORT PIERCE	76	79	2,753	- 16.98	+ 65.94
GAINESVILLE	37	46	640	- 58.76	- 40.19
JACKSONVILLE	610	666	7,356	- 18.57	+ 17.88
KEY WEST	48	39	158	- 62.47	- 47.51
LAKE LAND	323	298	5,153	- 55.72	- 14.40
LEESBURG	76	109	2,599	- 46.12	+ 39.66
MARIANNA	84	71	785	- 51.87	- 28.51
MIAMI	855	801	9,385	- 8.50	+ 3.67
OCALA	48	139	1,110	- 42.10	- 32.07
ORLANDO	267	333	8,604	- 27.62	+ 30.78
PANAMA CITY	98	70	676	- 39.43	- 24.97
PENSACOLA	234	145	2,034	- 0.68	+ 0.05
ST. AUGUSTINE	50	78	401	- 56.08	- 39.43
ST. PETERSBURG	272	240	3,738	- 14.95	+ 3.06
TALLAHASSEE	251	179	2,191	- 43.15	- 6.46
TAMPA	514	467	7,070	+ 5.08	+ 54.47
WEST PALM BEACH	211	162	2,181	- 25.26	+ 12.89
WINTER HAVEN	369	309	2,326	- 41.14	+ 10.95
MULTI-STATE	951	811	4,877	- 37.03	- 22.70

LOCAL OFFICE DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS  
OCTOBER 1940 AND OCTOBER 1939

LOCAL OFFICE	OCTOBER 1940				OCTOBER 1939			
	NUMBER	% OF TOTAL NUMBER	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL AMOUNT	NUMBER	% OF TOTAL NUMBER	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL AMOUNT
STATE TOTAL	71,544	100.00	\$694,641.00	100.00	58,799	100.00	\$498,749.37	100.00
ARCADIA	2,939	4.11	24,934.00	3.59	3,133	5.33	23,316.00	4.66
BRADENTON	2,350	3.29	19,058.50	2.74	2,028	3.45	14,520.50	2.90
DAYTONA BEACH	627	.88	6,521.50	.94	622	1.06	5,207.50	1.04
FORT LAUDERDALE	691	.97	7,238.50	1.04	511	.87	4,632.00	.93
FORT PIERCE	2,189	3.06	22,516.00	3.24	1,475	2.53	13,077.00	2.62
GAINESVILLE	550	.77	4,719.50	.68	788	1.34	5,906.50	1.18
JACKSONVILLE	6,390	8.93	59,029.50	8.50	4,533	7.71	38,752.50	7.75
KEY WEST	110	.15	958.00	.14	261	.44	2,449.50	.49
LAKE LAND	5,073	7.09	48,526.50	6.99	5,176	8.80	41,030.73	8.21
LEESBURG	2,673	3.74	23,353.00	3.36	2,574	4.38	19,257.50	3.85
MARIANNA	551	.77	4,839.00	.70	601	1.02	4,820.50	.96
MIAMI	7,198	10.06	81,706.00	11.76	5,208	8.85	54,620.91	10.92
OCALA	1,109	1.55	9,734.50	1.40	1,364	2.32	10,116.61	2.02
ORLANDO	8,852	12.38	85,241.00	12.27	6,943	11.80	57,459.71	11.49
PANAMA CITY	545	.76	4,924.50	.71	529	.90	4,262.94	.85
PENSACOLA	1,549	2.17	13,677.00	1.97	1,282	2.18	9,565.50	1.91
ST. AUGUSTINE	310	.43	3,047.50	.44	479	.81	3,827.50	.77
ST. PETERSBURG	3,296	4.61	31,170.00	4.49	2,094	3.56	18,780.00	3.76
TALLAHASSEE	2,151	3.01	16,247.50	2.34	2,001	3.40	13,281.50	2.66
TAMPA	6,480	9.06	60,961.00	8.78	3,561	6.05	30,960.88	6.19
WEST PALM BEACH	1,737	2.43	16,776.50	2.42	1,627	2.77	14,499.26	2.90
WINTER HAVEN	9,372	13.07	91,697.00	13.20	8,646	14.71	74,929.50	15.24
MULTI-STATE	4,802	6.71	54,766.50	7.88	3,363	5.72	33,474.83	6.70

October Benefit Payments Drop Nearly \$140,000 From September Payments

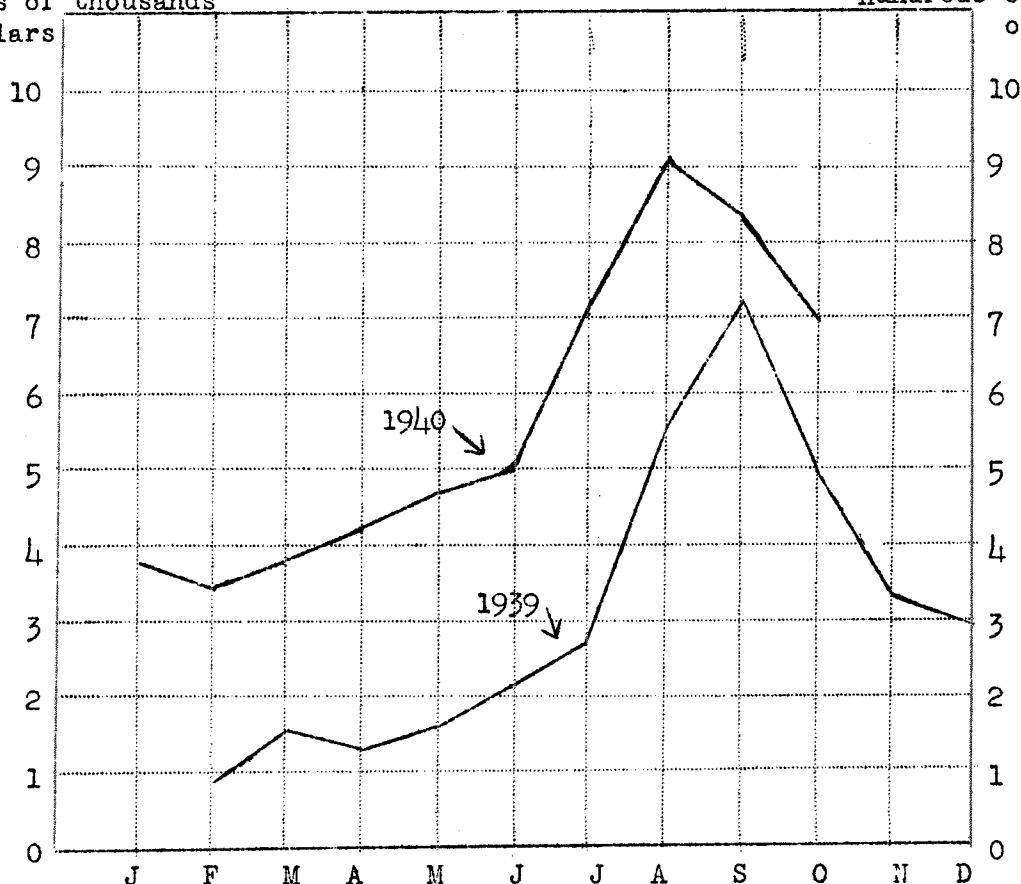
Continuing the downward trend in benefit payments, the October total of such payments amounted to only \$694,641.00 - \$139,851.50 less than the September total of \$834,492.50. The addition of the October payments brings the total of all 1940 payments to \$5,667,472.13 and the total for the entire 21 month period of operation to \$9,171,584.58.

BENEFIT PAYMENT AMOUNTS - FEBRUARY 1939 THROUGH OCTOBER 1940		
MONTH	1939	1940
January	*	\$ 375,872.83
February	\$ 85,539.45	340,742.38
March	161,820.87	381,665.73
April	134,740.77	424,791.04
May	167,036.25	475,031.87
June	226,069.98	504,908.67
July	281,448.99	727,773.27
August	574,663.17	907,552.84
September	732,542.54	834,492.50
October	498,749.37	694,641.00
November	338,279.57	
December	303,221.49	
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$3,504,112.45	\$5,667,472.13
Total benefit payments to date - - -		\$9,171,584.58

\*Florida did not make benefit payments prior to February 1939.

## MONTH-TO-MONTH TREND IN FLORIDA UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFIT PAYMENTS

FEBRUARY 1939 - SEPTEMBER 1940

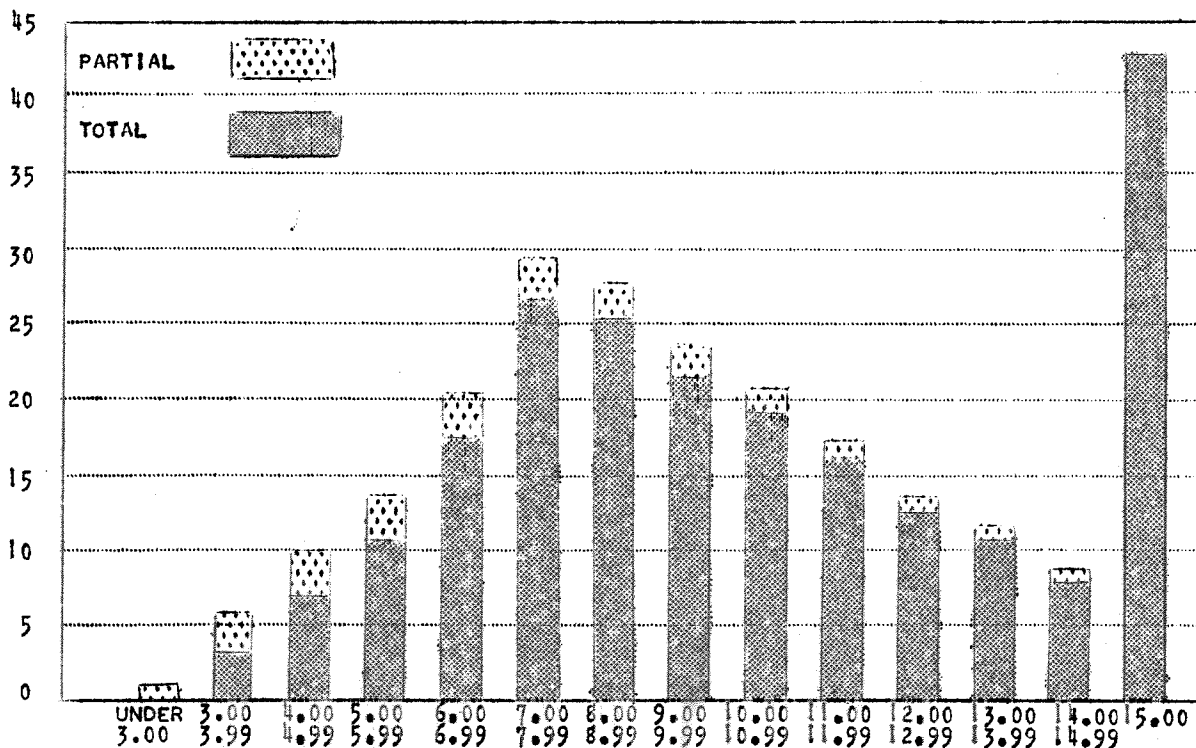
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BENEFIT PERIODS  
CLASSIFIED BY AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION  
THIRD QUARTER OF 1940

Amount of Compensation	Total Unemployment	% of Total	Partial Unemployment	% of Total
Total benefit periods classified	223,637	100.00	23,399	100.00
Less than \$3.00	-	-	825	3.53
\$3.00 - \$3.99	3,670	1.64	2,171	9.28
\$4.00 - \$4.99	7,247	3.24	2,525	10.79
\$5.00 - \$5.99	10,984	4.91	2,810	11.01
\$6.00 - \$6.99	17,619	7.88	2,749	12.74
\$7.00 - \$7.99	26,754	11.96	2,694	11.51
\$8.00 - \$8.99	25,415	11.36	2,299	9.83
\$9.00 - \$9.99	21,696	9.70	2,035	8.70
\$10.00 - \$10.99	19,316	8.64	1,575	6.73
\$11.00 - \$11.99	16,302	7.29	1,133	4.84
\$12.00 - \$12.99	12,524	5.60	1,031	4.41
\$13.00 - \$13.99	10,864	4.86	779	3.33
\$14.00 - \$14.99	7,920	3.54	773	3.30
\$15.00	43,326	19.38	-	-

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3RD QUARTER OF 1940

THOUSANDS OF  
CHECKS

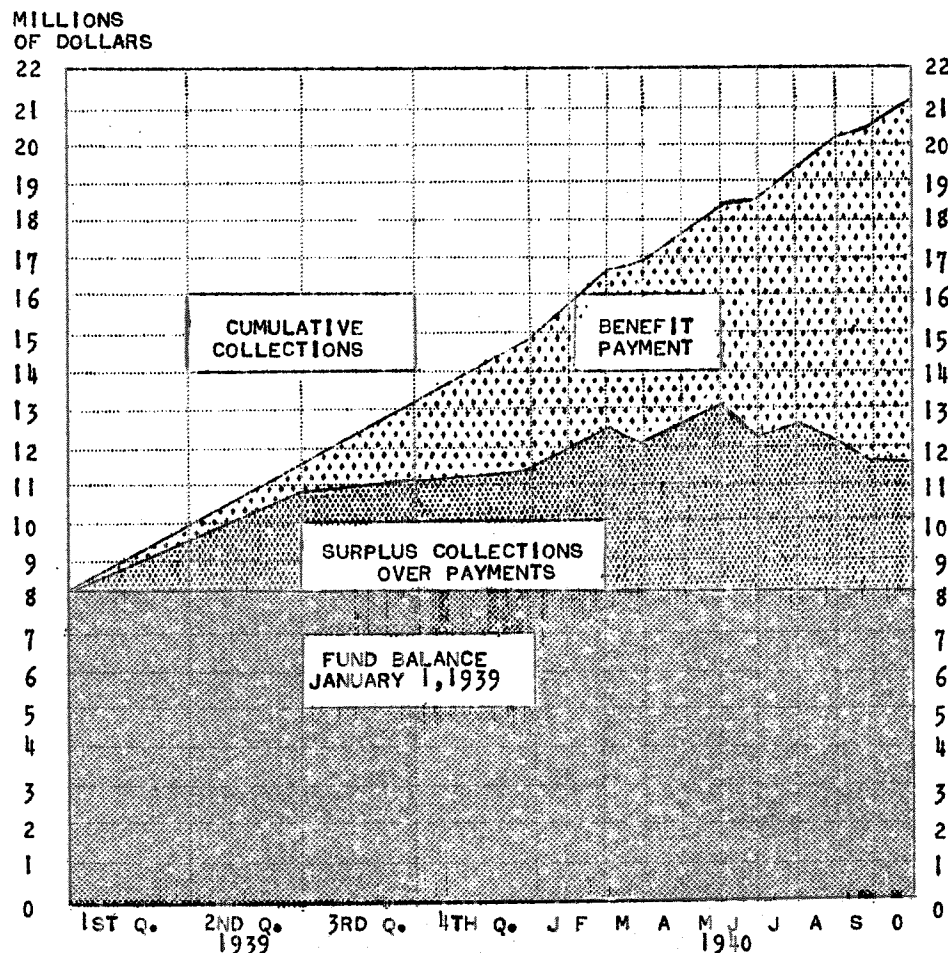


**CONDITION OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND \*  
COLLECTIONS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS**

PERIOD	NET COLLECTIONS	BENEFITS PAID	BALANCE ALL FUNDS
1937 & 1938	\$8,306,098.41	—	\$8,306,098.41
1939:			
FIRST QUARTER	1,878,431.63	247,360.32	9,937,169.72
SECOND QUARTER	1,705,070.67	527,847.00	1,111,393.39
THIRD QUARTER	1,626,174.29	1,588,654.70	1,151,612.98
FOURTH QUARTER	1,551,463.16	1,140,250.43	1,563,125.71
1940:			
JANUARY	920,893.18	375,872.83	2,108,146.06
FEBRUARY	905,263.62	340,742.38	2,672,667.30
MARCH	44,470.34	381,665.73	2,335,471.91
APRIL	878,001.03	424,791.04	2,788,681.90
MAY	800,870.04	475,031.87	3,111,520.07
JUNE	64,060.22	504,908.67	2,673,671.62
JULY	734,905.21	727,773.27	2,680,803.56
AUGUST	809,041.16	907,552.84	2,582,291.88
SEPTEMBER	35,822.66	834,492.50	1,783,622.04
OCTOBER	551,826.43	694,641.00	1,640,807.47

\* REVISED TO OCTOBER 31, 1940

**CHANGES IN STATUS OF THE FLORIDA UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND DURING 1939 - 1940  
(BENEFITS FIRST PAYABLE FEBRUARY 1, 1940)**



**EXPLANATION OF GRAPH:**

1. THE DARK RECTANGLE FORMING THE BASE FOR THE REST OF THE CHART REPRESENTS THE COLLECTIONS WHICH WENT INTO THE FUND DURING 1937 AND 1938. THERE WERE NO BENEFIT PAYMENTS DURING THIS PERIOD.
2. THE SHADED AREA (JUST ABOVE THE FUND BALANCE) REPRESENTS THE CUMULATIVE EXCESS OF COLLECTIONS OVER BENEFIT PAYMENTS.
3. THE LIGHT PORTION (AT THE TOP) REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT PAID OUT IN BENEFITS. AT FIRST GLANCE IT MIGHT SEEM THAT THE BALANCE IN THE FUND AMOUNTS TO ABOUT 21 MILLION DOLLARS; CLOSER SCRUTINY WILL REVEAL THAT THIS IS ACTUALLY THE TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED. FROM THESE COLLECTIONS MUST BE DEDUCTED BENEFIT PAYMENTS, IN ORDER TO ARRIVE AT THE NET BALANCE IN THE FUNDS.



Placements Surpass all Previous Figures

As a result of the continuing increased activity in Defense Projects throughout the State, the number of jobs filled by the public employment service reached an all time high of 7,982. This mark exceeds by 13.9% the previous high of 7,009 reported for October, 1939. The fact that October of both years has been the high month in placement activity does not give an accurate picture of the activity. The 7,009 placements reported in October 1939 were made up of approximately 82% private and 18% public placements while the 7,982 placements for October 1940 consisted of 42% private and 58% public. In 1939 a great many private placements were made in the citrus industries during October. To date these industries have been late in beginning 1940 operations and therefore this private placement figure has not yet reached its anticipated high. On the other hand, the expanding national defense projects in the State have resulted in thousands of public placements being made by the offices. This type of job opening is still occurring and is expected to continue through November. In addition, many offices in the citrus area anticipate large orders from citrus establishments which will probably result in an increase for November over October in both private and public placement activity.

The construction industry alone accounted for nearly two thirds of the total placements reported during the month. This, of course, is directly due to the defense work being carried out in the State. The wholesale and retail trade groups, including citrus packing, increased considerably over the previous month putting to work 1,199 applicants during October as compared with 444 for September. Domestic service and manufacturing were both active in securing workers from the employment service during the month accounting for 719 and 411 placements respectively.

Unskilled labor was required for most of the job openings accounting for 4,270 of the 7,982 placements. Most of these workers filled jobs on the public projects in connection with the defense program. The service and skilled worker groups were also well represented in number of job openings filled during the period, accounting for 1,320 and 1,015 placements respectively.

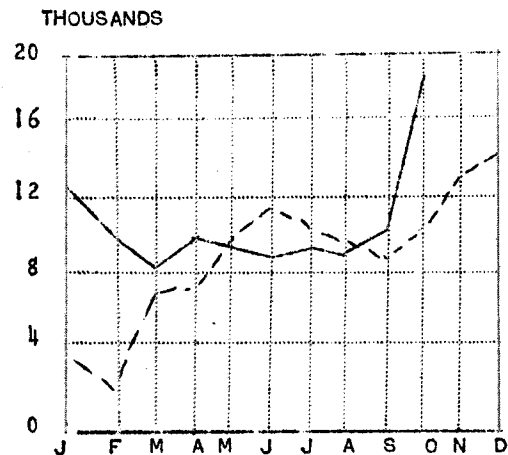
Increase in New Applications and Active File

New applications taken in October represented an increase of 78.3% over September 1940 and 79.3% over October 1939. This influx of new applicants to the employment offices is indicative of a broader use of the public employment service by job seekers rather than to an increased volume of unemployment. Likewise, the increased active file figure of 14.1% over September represents an increase in the percentage of the total number of unemployed workers who are now registered with the service. Many of these applicants have been unemployed for some time but have not filed applications with the local employment offices. Some local offices have estimated that where the active file figure formerly represented approximately 50% of the unemployed in their area this coverage has now been increased to approximately 80%. The part played by the employment service in recruiting workers for the national defense projects has been largely responsible for this increased coverage.

## NEW APPLICATIONS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	3,497	2,226
FEBRUARY	3,200	0,575
MARCH	7,642	8,422
APRIL	7,818	0,184
MAY	10,318	9,927
JUNE	11,720	9,697
JULY	10,882	9,940
AUGUST	10,146	9,087
SEPTEMBER	9,498	10,420
OCTOBER	10,363	18,578
NOVEMBER	3,585	
DECEMBER	4,287	

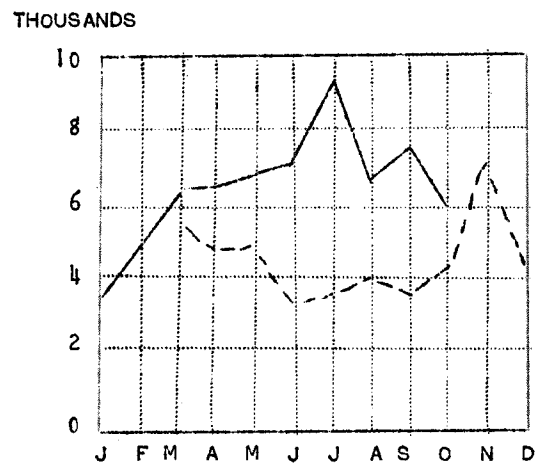
## NEW APPLICATIONS



## RENEWALS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	-	3,626
FEBRUARY	-	4,708
MARCH	5,679	6,617
APRIL	4,877	6,622
MAY	4,911	6,757
JUNE	3,680	7,151
JULY	3,821	9,482
AUGUST	3,913	6,577
SEPTEMBER	3,856	7,127
OCTOBER	4,397	6,281
NOVEMBER	7,550	
DECEMBER	4,729	

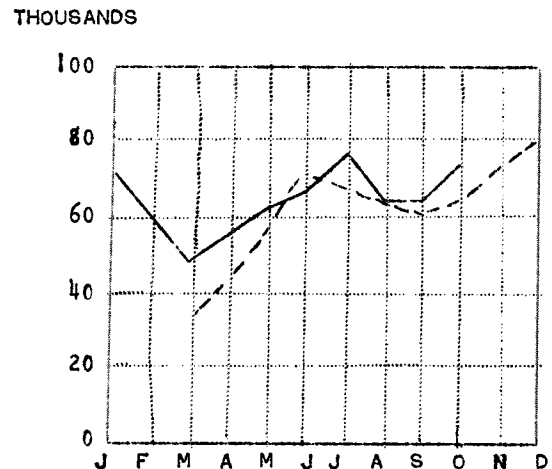
## RENEWALS



## ACTIVE FILE

	1939	1940
JANUARY	-	72,501
FEBRUARY	-	64,734
MARCH	34,569	49,001
APRIL	42,995	59,093
MAY	58,364	63,287
JUNE	71,065	68,932
JULY	70,983	77,992
AUGUST	65,292	66,344
SEPTEMBER	61,686	65,111
OCTOBER	64,085	74,311
NOVEMBER	74,598	
DECEMBER	80,907	

## ACTIVE FILE



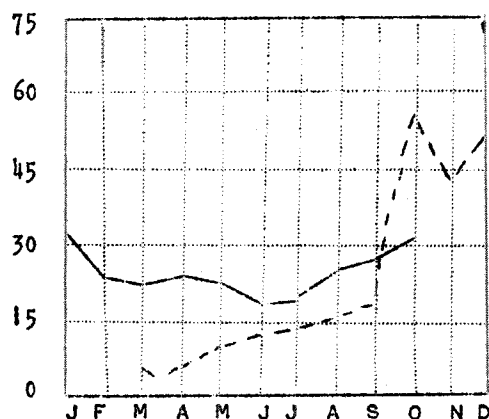
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SOLID LINE ——— 1940  
BROKEN LINE --- 1939

## PRIVATE PLACEMENTS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	—	3,334
FEBRUARY	—	2,333
MARCH	449	2,126
APRIL	442	2,212
MAY	832	2,205
JUNE	1,003	1,744
JULY	1,071	1,741
AUGUST	1,441	2,420
SEPTEMBER	1,770	2,694
OCTOBER	5,793	3,250
NOVEMBER	4,084	
DECEMBER	4,996	

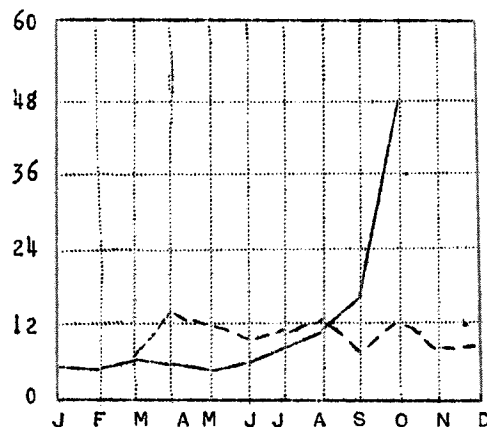
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## PUBLIC PLACEMENTS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	—	565
FEBRUARY	—	484
MARCH	747	673
APRIL	1,439	581
MAY	1,203	459
JUNE	1,067	559
JULY	1,152	835
AUGUST	1,278	1,128
SEPTEMBER	1,798	1,700
OCTOBER	1,216	4,732
NOVEMBER	865	
DECEMBER	889	

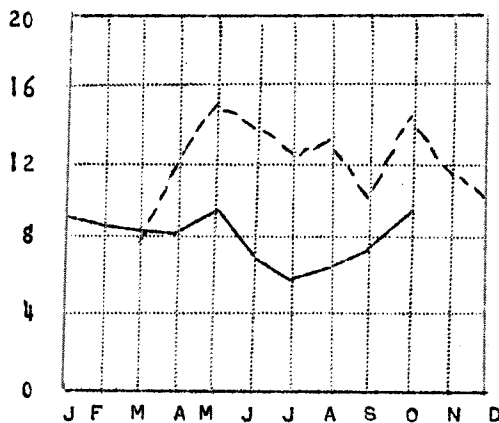
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## FIELD VISITS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	—	998
FEBRUARY	—	911
MARCH	773	911
APRIL	1,204	865
MAY	1,547	1,045
JUNE	1,468	689
JULY	1,232	549
AUGUST	1,317	627
SEPTEMBER	1,009	733
OCTOBER	1,475	984
NOVEMBER	1,517	
DECEMBER	1,072	

HUNDREDS



## NOTE:

SOLID LINE ———— 1940  
 BROKEN LINE - - - - - 1939

## PLACEMENT AND FIELD VISITS - OCTOBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	TOTAL	COMPLETE PLACEMENTS			PUBLIC	SUPPLEMENTARY PLACEMENTS	FIELD VISITS
		NUMBER	REGULAR	AGRICULTURAL			
STATE TOTAL	7,982	3,250	2,203	34	4,732	358	984
ARCADIA	181	181	181	-	-	83	82
BRADENTON	114	114	114	3	-	-	90
DAYTONA BEACH	68	30	23	-	38	7	-
FORT LAUDERDALE	168	54	36	9	114	-	53
FORT PIERCE	18	5	4	1	13	-	28
GAINESVILLE	183	179	130	1	4	98	47
JACKSONVILLE	4,401	338	225	4	4,063	55	78
KEY WEST	60	30	23	-	30	-	30
LAKELAND	93	67	65	-	26	61	81
LEESBURG	162	44	44	-	118	-	94
MARIANNA	49	32	32	-	17	-	42
MIAMI	710	694	402	5	16	4	10
OCALA	35	35	35	-	-	-	40
ORLANDO	214	144	73	3	70	3	5
PANAMA CITY	37	27	8	-	10	46	20
PENSACOLA	139	108	66	-	31	-	33
ST. AUGUSTINE	34	31	18	-	3	-	32
ST. PETERSBURG	169	169	120	4	-	-	6
TALLAHASSEE	164	72	58	-	92	-	7
TAMPA	570	514	199	3	56	-	141
WEST PALM BEACH	116	87	55	-	29	-	36
WINTER HAVEN	297	295	295	1	2	-	29

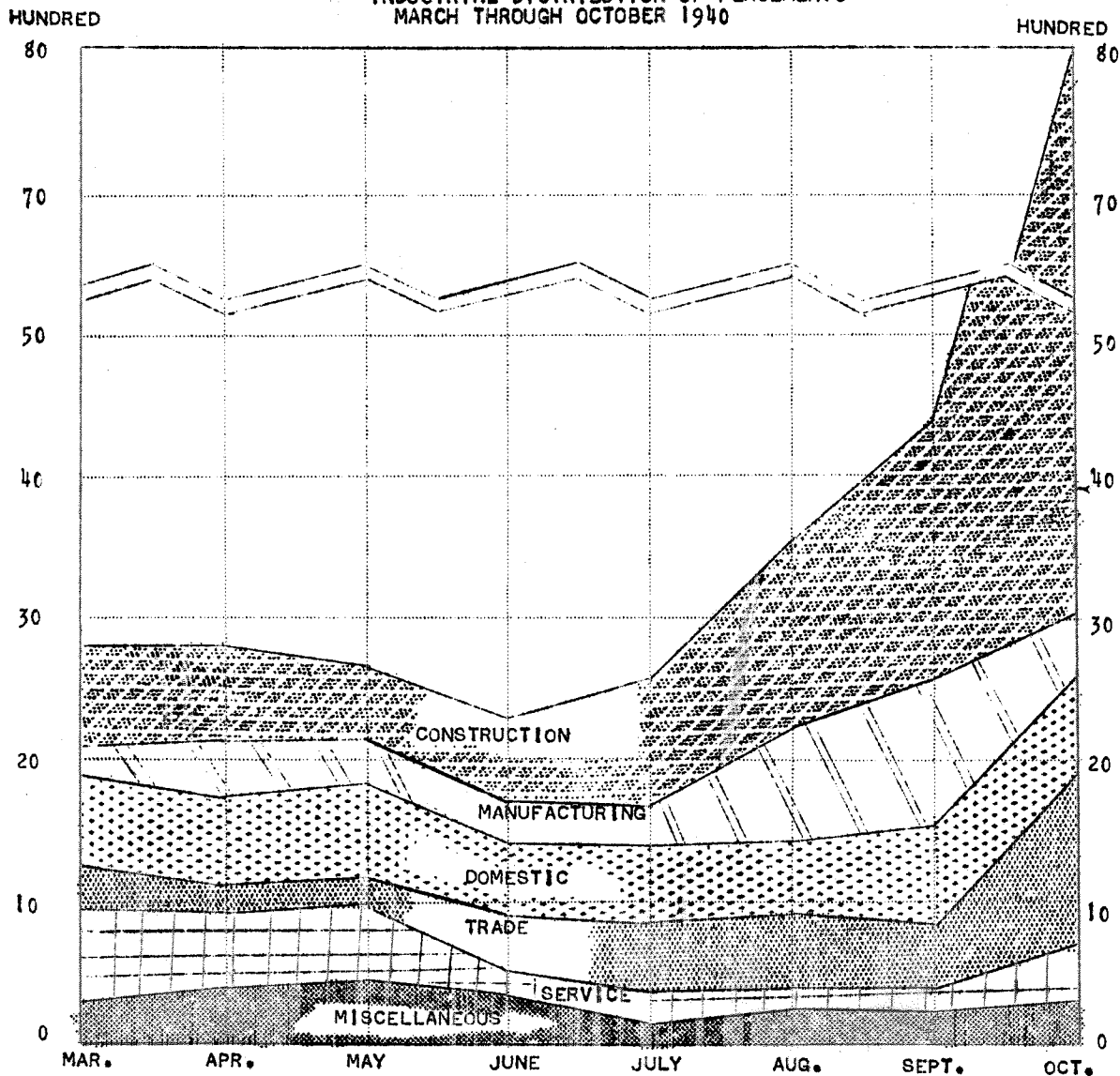
## NEW APPLICATIONS AND ACTIVE FILE - OCTOBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	NEW APPLICATIONS			ACTIVE FILE		
	NUMBER REC'D OCTOBER, 1940	% CHANGED FROM		AS OF OCT. 31, 1940	% CHANGED FROM	
		SEPT. 1940	OCT. 1939		SEPT. 30, 1940	OCT. 31, 1939
STATE TOTAL	18,578	+ 78.3	+ 79.3	74,311	+ 14.1	+ 16.0
ARCADIA	73	- 14.1	- 49.6	1,656	- 1.7	- 44.7
BRADENTON	134	- 14.6	- 25.6	1,479	- 7.0	- 11.4
DAYTONA BEACH	586	+ 20.0	+ 52.2	2,148	+ 38.0	- 2.8
FORT LAUDERDALE	257	+ 1.1	- 7.9	829	- 18.9	- 28.5
FORT PIERCE	64	+ 82.9	- 82.0	1,344	+ 6.8	- 23.6
GAINESVILLE	391	+ 52.1	+ 16.0	1,298	- 28.1	- 35.3
JACKSONVILLE	9,596	+ 213.0	+ 802.7	12,520	+ 67.6	+ 37.8
KEY WEST	70	- 6.7	+ 438.5	1,612	- 1.1	+ 35.9
LAKELAND	441	- 33.7	+ 23.5	5,007	+ 8.7	+ 62.7
LEESBURG	71	- 62.4	- 45.0	3,035	+ 0.9	+ 58.7
MARIANNA	86	- 45.5	- 63.6	1,383	- 2.2	- 45.0
MIAMI	2,198	+ 33.0	+ 39.6	10,092	+ 0.6	+ 59.8
OCALA	314	+ 12.5	+ 27.6	1,632	+ 21.2	+ 22.7
ORLANDO	469	- 17.4	+ 6.3	3,450	+ 1.2	- 4.5
PANAMA CITY	116	+ 30.3	+ 78.5	1,016	+ 1.7	- 16.8
PENSACOLA	458	+ 15.7	+ 32.4	2,813	+ 6.5	- 19.0
ST. AUGUSTINE	141	+ 62.1	+ 23.7	1,005	+ 5.5	- 15.1
ST. PETERSBURG	297	+ 10.0	- 54.0	2,956	+ 11.8	- 20.5
TALLAHASSEE	1,082	+ 514.8	+ 263.1	3,077	+ 68.3	+ 35.4
TAMPA	1,070	+ 19.2	- 34.0	8,035	+ 20.4	+ 36.0
WEST PALM BEACH	531	+ 13.5	+ 13.7	2,722	+ 17.3	- 15.5
WINTER HAVEN	133	+ 24.3	- 87.6	5,202	+ 0.4	+ 32.6

**INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION OF PLACEMENTS  
BY SEX, DURATION, CLAIMANT AND VETERAN STATUS  
OCTOBER 1940**

INDUSTRY GROUP	MEN AND WOMEN	M E N			W O M E N			CLAIMANT	VETERANS
		TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.	TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.		
STATE TOTAL	7,982	6,693	6,053	640	1,289	341	448	809	206
AGRICULTURE	39	33	26	7	6	6	—	5	1
MINING	3	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
CONSTRUCTION	4,948	4,932	4,757	175	16	11	5	131	121
MANUFACTURING	411	358	312	46	53	47	6	126	105
TRANS., COMM., UTIL.	93	86	25	61	7	6	—	30	5
TRADE	1,199	821	725	96	378	302	76	399	421
REAL ESTATE, FIN., INS.	77	37	25	12	40	26	14	6	10
SERVICES	386	167	105	62	219	83	136	66	10
PROFESSIONS	27	10	4	6	7	5	2	4	1
MISCELLANEOUS	14	8	1	7	6	1	5	3	1
DOMESTIC	719	185	25	160	534	349	185	306	124
GOVT. AGENCY REL.	66	53	45	8	13	5	8	6	4

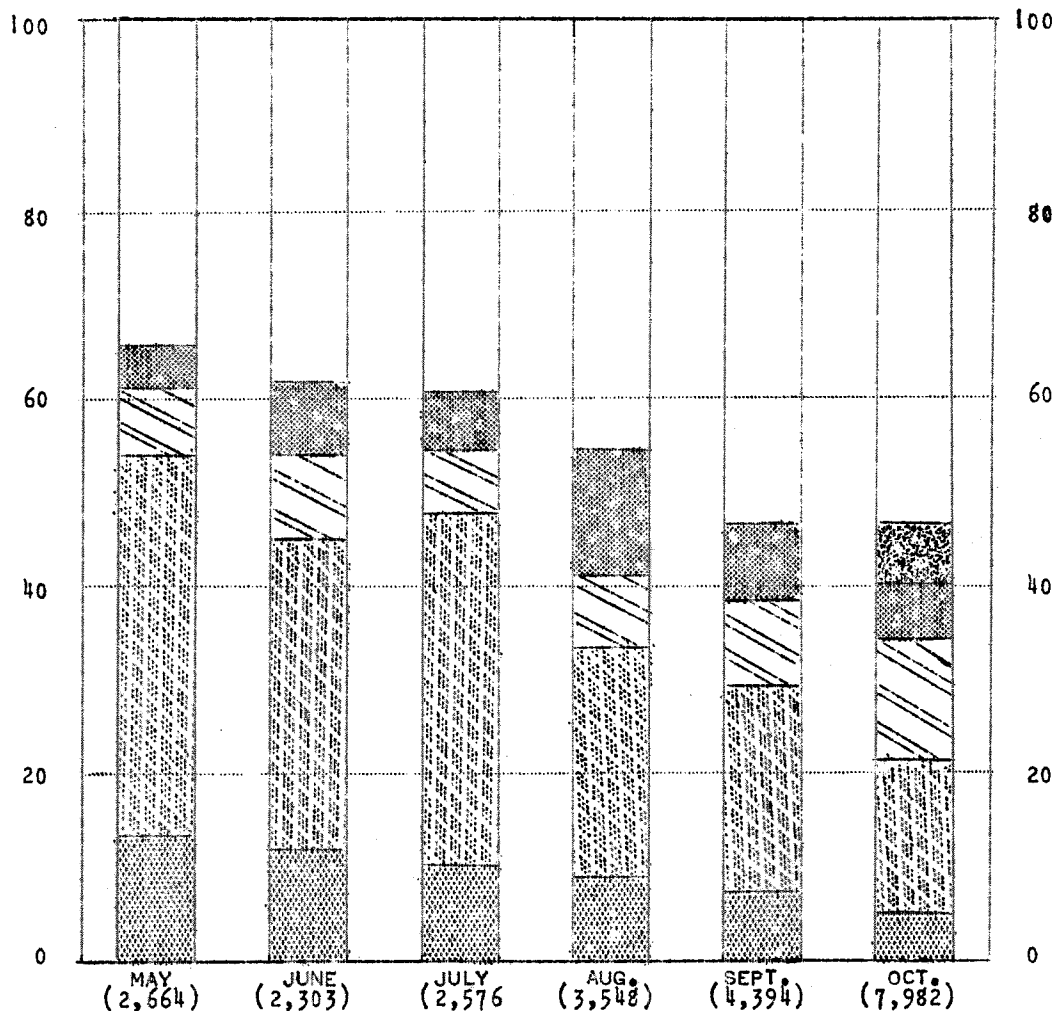
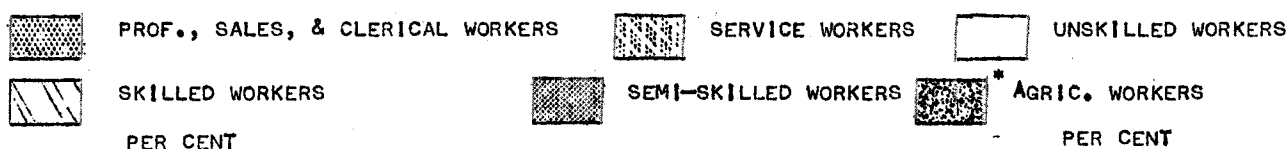
**INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION OF PLACEMENTS  
MARCH THROUGH OCTOBER 1940**



**OCCUPATIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF ALL PLACEMENTS  
BY SEX, DURATION, CLAIMANT AND VETERAN STATUS  
OCTOBER 1940**

OCCUPATIONAL GROUP	NUMBER MEN & WOMEN	M E N			W O M E N			TOTAL CLAIMANTS PLACED	TOTAL VETERANS PLACED
		TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.	TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.		
STATE TOTAL	7,982	6,693	6,053	640	1,289	841	448	809	206
PROF. & MANAGERIAL	24	18	15	3	6	5	1	11	1
CLERICAL & SALES	392	148	117	31	244	133	111	60	10
SERVICES	1,329	512	309	203	817	490	327	116	26
AGRIC. & KINDRED	505	364	353	11	141	141	-	257	14
SKILLED	1,015	1,002	854	148	13	8	-	39	63
SEMI-SKILLED	447	414	384	30	33	29	4	70	21
UNSKILLED	4,270	4,235	4,021	214	35	35	-	256	71

**PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF PLACEMENTS  
BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP  
MAY - OCTOBER 1940**

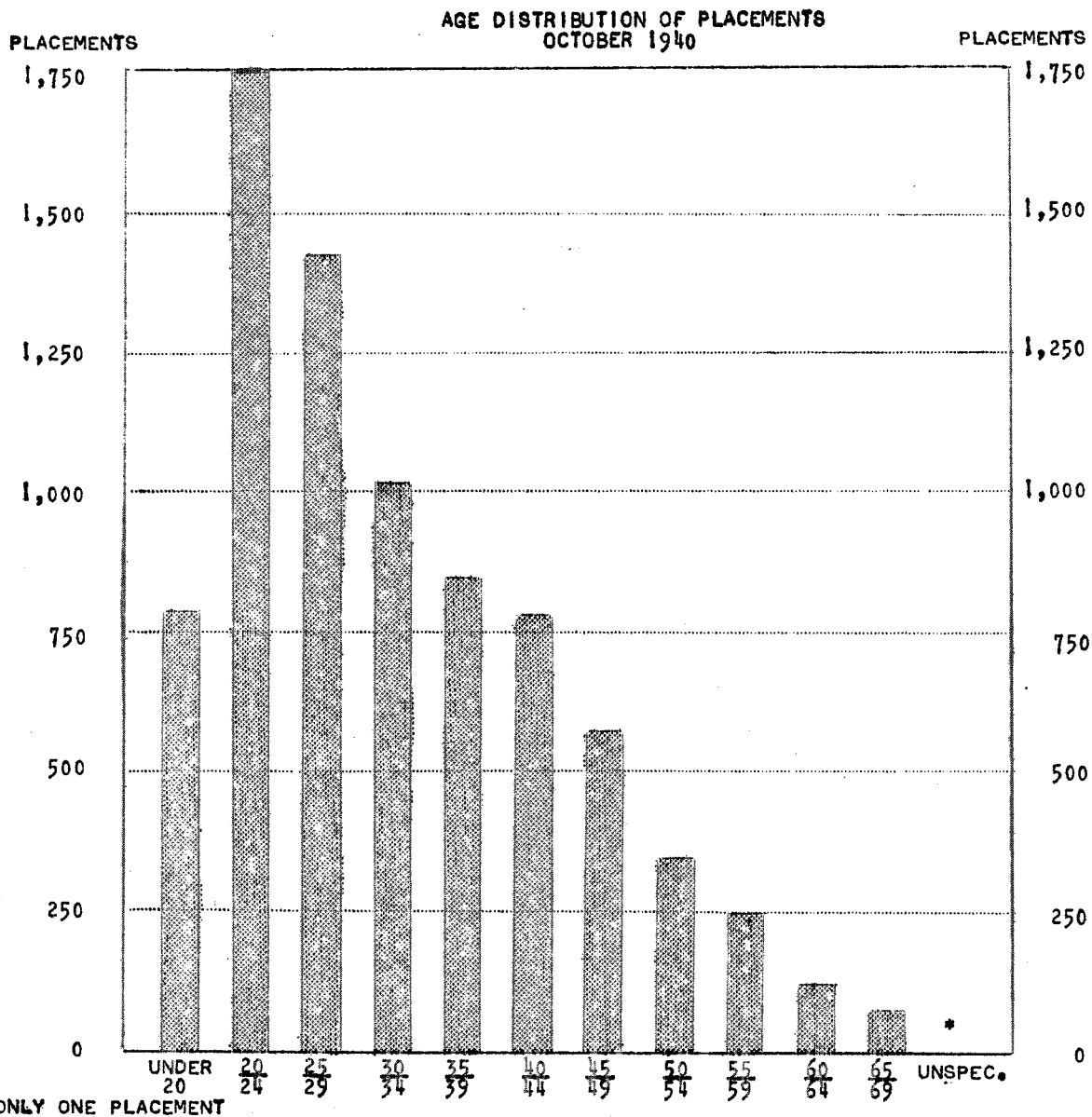


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\* PREVIOUSLY CLASSIFIED AS UNSKILLED

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF ALL PLACEMENTS  
BY SEX, COLOR, CLAIMANT AND VETERAN STATUS  
OCTOBER 1940

AGE GROUP	TOTAL MEN AND WOMEN	M E N			W O M E N			CLAIMANTS	VETERANS
		TOTAL	WHITE	OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE	OTHER		
STATE TOTAL	7,982	6,693	3,930	2,763	1,289	768	521	809	206
UNDER 16	8	6	2	4	2	1	2	1	1
16 AND 17	77	62	33	29	15	6	9	2	1
18 AND 19	702	616	364	252	86	54	32	24	1
20	345	278	150	128	67	42	25	15	1
21 - 24	1,411	1,133	668	465	228	148	80	155	1
25 - 29	1,418	1,125	664	461	293	158	135	168	1
30 - 34	1,013	843	473	370	163	98	65	93	1
35 - 39	830	712	396	316	138	76	62	63	7
40 - 44	782	648	357	291	134	77	57	63	7
45 - 49	578	507	298	209	70	47	23	30	3
50 - 54	337	307	198	109	40	26	14	30	1
55 - 59	255	223	142	81	24	22	2	22	1
60 - 64	125	115	74	41	10	9	1	11	1
65 AND OVER	70	65	38	27	5	5	1	1	2
UNSPECIFIED	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1



## VETERAN ACTIVITIES

During the month of October veteran placements reached a new high of 206. This is 21% of the total (973) for the ten months, January through October 1940.

Jacksonville made the greatest number of veteran placements with 66, which is in proportion to their increased total placements. The new applications increased from 333 in September to 487; the largest part of this increase was accounted for by Jacksonville (76 in September).

While the active file of veterans shows an increase over the previous month, this figure should not be construed to indicate an increased number of unemployed veterans. The true picture lies in the increased usage of the public employment offices by unemployed veterans.

An accurate percentage relationship of registered veterans to the total number of veterans unemployed in the State cannot be estimated from data now available; however, it is not unreasonable to assume that this percentage is much larger now than at any time since the inauguration of the present service in January 1939.

VETERAN ACTIVITIES  
OCTOBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	NEW APPLICATIONS	REGULAR RENEWALS	PLACEMENTS		CANCELLATIONS	ACTIVE FILE OCT. 31, 1940
			PRIVATE	PUBLIC		
STATE TOTALS	487	304	114	92	429	2,997
ARCADIA	3	1	5	—	1	62
BRADENTON	3	4	7	—	14	46
DAYTONA BEACH	8	3	—	—	—	26
FORT LAUDERDALE	11	10	—	—	12	36
FORT PIERCE	2	1	—	—	—	44
GAINESVILLE	4	6	5	—	32	22
JACKSONVILLE	185	40	12	54	63	436
KEY WEST	1	4	—	—	3	56
LAKELAND	21	9	—	—	2	116
LEESBURG	—	—	2	4	—	72
MARIANNA	8	11	1	2	11	116
MIAMI	73	113	32	—	144	571
OCALA	7	—	—	—	—	56
ORLANDO	11	12	3	—	181	106
PANAMA CITY	1	3	—	—	6	32
PENSACOLA	14	8	2	—	101	243
ST. AUGUSTINE	5	—	—	—	4	52
ST. PETERSBURG	6	5	12	—	—	78
TALLAHASSEE	49	14	—	—	—	105
TAMPA	37	42	21	4	9	407
WEST PALM BEACH	26	8	1	4	4	102
WINTER HAVEN	9	3	8	—	—	106



## APPEAL TRIBUNAL

CLASSIFICATION OF APPEALS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 1, 1940  
THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 1940, BY TYPE OF QUESTION INVOLVED

Month	Total Rec'd		Availa- bility	Wage Record Conflicts	Volun- tary Leaving	Discharge Cases - Misconduct	Suit able Work	Labor Dis- putes	Other
	Cases	Claim'ts							
Jan.	20	20	2	12	2	4	-	-	-
Feb.	28	28	2	19	4	2	1	-	-
March	47	60	3	42	6	5	-	4	-
April	38	38	2	22	8	2	-	2	2
May	55	90	4	31	13	8	1	33	-
June	62	63	2	35	10	13	2	-	1
July	56	57	4	27	7	16	1	-	2
Aug.	71	74	3	37	11	14	4	-	5
Sept.	62	75	2	26	10	11	2	21	3
Oct.	42	42	2	20	7	11	-	1	1
Total	481	547	26	271	78	86	11	61	14

## APPEAL TRIBUNAL

SUMMARY OF APPEALS HANDLED FROM JANUARY 1  
THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 1940

Number of Appeals Received:		Cases	Claimants
Filed by Claimants		442	476
Filed by Employers		37	37
Filed by Commission Deputies		2	34
Total		481	547
Number of Decisions Rendered:			
Number of Deputies' Decisions Affirmed		162	170
Number of Deputies' Decisions Reversed		127	130
Number of Deputies' Decisions Modified		48	108
Original Determination by Appeals Authority		1	1
Total		338	409
Number of Appeals Withdrawn by Appellants		48	48
Number of Appeals Dismissed by Referee		50	50
Number of Appeals Pending Disposal October 31		65	65

## APPEAL TRIBUNAL DECISION

The following is an excerpt from an actual case which was recently brought before the Appeal Tribunal of the Commission:

CLAIMS EXAMINER'S DETERMINATION:

Claimant was determined eligible with a weekly benefit amount of \$15.00 but was disqualified for the week ending September 14, and the three weeks immediately thereafter for misconduct in connection with his work.

FINDING OF FACT:

From the evidence before him it appears to the Referee that claimant was formerly employed as a maintenance engineer by this employer at "X", Florida; that claimant had been employed for approximately three years prior to his separation from work; that the employer had become suspicious of the fact that claimant had appeared on the job under the influence of alcoholic drink. The employer made no direct representations to the Commission that this suspicion had been proved, nor does it appear that an act of this kind occurred immediately prior to claimant's actual discharge. It is of some significance that the employer failed to appear at the hearing in order to protect its own interests or to assist the Referee in obtaining all of the facts in the case.

The Referee, after careful examination of the record and the testimony of the claimant, finds that claimant was discharged by the employer but that it does not appear that his discharge was for misconduct in connection with his work. It appears more likely that the employer was of the opinion that claimant was no longer a suitable employee in his position.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

The evidence before the Referee in this case fails to show that claimant was discharged for misconduct in connection with his work. It merely indicates that claimant may have been discharged because of his general attitude toward his work. The fact that the employer may have been suspicious that the claimant appeared for work under the influence of alcoholic drink is not sufficient evidence of misconduct. If the claimant were guilty of misconduct in this manner and the employer condoned it by continuing him in employment for several months, the Referee would not be inclined to agree that a discharge several months after such incident was discharge for misconduct in connection with his work within the meaning of the Florida Unemployment Compensation Law.

The only evidence before the Referee as to the time when claimant may have appeared at work under some influence of intoxicating drink is the testimony of the claimant himself. He testified that he had appeared at work several months prior to his separation from work after drinking one or two bottles of beer but that at no time within several months prior to his separation had he appeared on the job under the influence of intoxicating drink.

DECISION:

The decision of the Examiner disqualifying claimant for misconduct is hereby reversed.

## FIELD SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Inclusion of the 12 employers electing liability during the month brought the total number of establishments which have become liable voluntarily since July 1937 to 730. This number added to the 6,680 accumulative employers liable at the beginning of October and the 117 employers who were declared liable under the Act during the month brought the total to 6,809. From this total must be deducted 72 employers who were removed from the liability rolls during the month to determine the number of employers who were liable at the end of the month - 6,737.

## LIABILITY REPORTS RECEIVED AND DETERMINATION OF EMPLOYER STATUS - OCTOBER 1940

A. LIABILITY REPORTS		
1. ACCUMULATIVE NUMBER LIABILITY REPORTS RECEIVED (JULY 1937 - OCTOBER 1940) . . . . .		30,053
2. LIABILITY REPORTS RECEIVED DURING MONTH . . . . .		184
3. TOTAL END OF MONTH (SUM OF ITEMS 1 AND 2) . . . . .		30,237
B. LIABLE EMPLOYERS		
4. ACCUMULATIVE NUMBER EMPLOYERS LIABLE BEGINNING OF MONTH. . . . .		6,680
5. EMPLOYERS DECLARED LIABLE UNDER ACT DURING MONTH. . . . .		117
6. EMPLOYERS ELECTING LIABILITY DURING MONTH. . . . .		12
7. TOTAL END OF MONTH (SUM OF ITEMS 4, 5, AND 6) . . . . .		6,809
8. EMPLOYERS REMOVED FROM LIABILITY ROLLS DURING MONTH. . . . .		72
9. EMPLOYERS LIABLE AT END OF MONTH (ITEM 7 MINUS ITEM 8) . . . . .		6,737
A. LIABLE UNDER ACT . . . . .	6,007	
B. LIABLE BY VOLUNTARY ELECTION . . . . .	730	

## FIELD SERVICE INVESTIGATIONS

OCTOBER 1940

	LIABILITY INVESTIGATIONS*	CLAIMS** INVESTIGATIONS	INDIVIDUAL EARNINGS***	TOTAL
BROUGHT FORWARD OCTOBER 1, 1940	587	246	226	1,059
REQUESTED OCTOBER 1940	356	613	167	1,136
COMPLETED OCTOBER 1940	459	590	199	1,248
PENDING OCTOBER 31, 1940	484	269	194	947

\* LIABILITY INVESTIGATION - ASSIGNMENTS TO DETERMINE STATUS OF EMPLOYING UNITS NOT YET REPORTED OR TO RECHECK BORDER-LINE CASES.

\*\* CLAIMS INVESTIGATION - ASSIGNMENTS TO INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS SURROUNDING CLAIMANTS' SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT IN INSTANCES WHERE CLAIMS ARE PROTESTED.

\*\*\* INDIVIDUAL EARNINGS - REQUESTS FOR QUARTERLY EARNINGS OF CLAIMANTS WHOSE EMPLOYERS HAVE NOT REPORTED WAGES.